

With which is incorporated The

1845. Established February "Hongkong Evening Mail and Shipping

List." Published every Evening.

Vol. XXXII. No. 4003. 號七十月四年大十七百八千一英

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, APRIL 27, 1876.

日四初月四年子丙

PRICE, \$24 PER ANNUM:

# AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

GOC INDON: -F. ALGAR, 8, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street. GEORGE STREET, 30 Cornhill. GORDON & GOTCH, 121, Holborn Hill, E.C. BATES, HENDY & Co., 4, Old Jeiory, E.C. SAMURI DRACON & Co., 150 & 164, Leadenhall Street. TEW YORK:-ANDREW WIND, 183, Nas-

AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND:-Gordon & Gotch, Melbourns and Sydney.

SAN FRANCISCO and American Ports generally :-BEAR & BLACK, San Fran-

CHINA: - Swatow, Quelch & Campbell. Amoy, GILES & Co. Foochow, HEDGE & Co. Shanghai, LANE, CRAWFORD Co., and KELLY & Co. Manila, C. HEINSZEN & Co. Macao, L. A. DA GRAGA.

#### - Banks.

COMPTOIR DESCOMPTE DE PARIS. INCORPORATED BY NATIONAL DECREES OF 7TH AND STH MARCH, 1848,

-a n d---

17 IMPERIAL DEGREES OF 25TR JULY, 1854, AND 31st DECEMBER, 1866,

defen

Recognised by the INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION OF 30TH APRIL, 1862.

France. & Sterling. PAID-UP CAPITAL, .... 80,000,000 · 3,200,000 REBERYS FUND,.....20,000,000

MEAD OFFICE.-14, Rue Bergère, Parls. LONDON AGENCY.-144, Leadenhall St.

AGENCIES. - At Nantes, Lyons, Marseilles, Brussels, Bombay, Calcutta, St. Denis (lle de la Réunion.) Hongkong, Shanghai and Yokohama. ENDON BANKERS. - Bank of England, 17. Union Bank of London. . .

# HONGKONG AGENCY.

INTEREST ALLOWED N Current Deposit Account at the rate

of 2 per cent. per annum on the monthly minimum balances, and on Fixed Deposits at rates which may be ascertained at the offices. CHR. DE GUIGNÉ,

Manager. Offices in Hongkong: Bank Bulldings,

Queen's Road, Hongkong, May 14, 1875.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANK-ING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL,...5,000,000 Dollars. RESERVE FUND,..... 100,000 Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS. Chairman-E. R. Belilios, Esq. Deputy Chairman-AD. ANDRE, Esq. J. F. CORDES, Esq. | S.W. Pomeroy, Esq.

F. D. SASSOON, Esq. H. Hoppius, Esq. A. Molves, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER. James Greig, Enq.

Manager. EWEN CAMERON, Esq. Shanghal, LONDON BINKERS, -London and County

HONGKONG. INTEREST ALLOWED N Current Deposit Accounts at the rate of 1 percent. per annum on the daily

On Fixed Deposits : -For 8 months, 2 per cent. per annum. 4 per cent. 5 par cent. " ",

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED. Oredits granted on approved Securities,

and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted. Drafts, granted on London, and chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan. JAMES GREIG,

Chief Manager. Offices of the Corporation, No, 1, Queen's Road East. Hongkong, February 17, 1876.

# FOR SALE.

THE Undermentioned valuable LAND and BUILDINGS on Inland Lot No. 7, situsted at 46 and 48, Queen's Road, the Property of the late Mr G. B.

FALCONER :-The TWO BLOCKS of BUILDINGS occupying the finest position, are of the most commodious description, with TREAsuny and ample Godowns; the Ground Floors are of Granite, the Buildings are known to be the most handsome and substantially built Premises in the Colony, and are all in perfect condition and good

Applications for Purchase, or further information to be made to JOHN NOBLE,

46, Queen's Road. Hongkong, March 89, 1879,

### Notices of Firms.

NOTICE. Have this day authorized Mr J. Y. V SHAW to sign my name per procura-

A. MACG. HEATON. Hongkong, January 1, 1876.

NOTICE. THE Undersigned have entered into Copartnership from the First day of January, 1876, in the Business of Ship-

> A. G. MORRIS. E. C. RAY.

Bank Buildings, Hongkong, February 3, 1876.

NOTIOE. TATE have Established branches of our Firm at Halphong and Hanoi. Mr E. CONSTANTIN is authorised to sign by procuration in Tonquin.

LANDSTEIN & Co. Hongkong, December 31, 1875.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned has been appointed SURVEYOR to LLOYDS REGISTER | order. at this Port. R. H. CAIRNS.

1, Club Chambers, Hongkong, April 20, 1876.

THE GREAT NORTHERN TELE. GRAPH COMPANY.

BEG to notify that I have been appointed ACTING SUPERINTENDENT for

the above Company's Station at this Port from this date. CARL CHR. BOJESEN.

Hongkong, April 6, 1876.

GENERAL COMMISSION AGENT

NOTICE. HAVE this day Established myself as

at the Ports of Takow and Taiwanfoo. P. F. DA SULVA. Formosa, April 1, 1876. NOTIFICATION. TT is herewith notified that a Custom

1 House has been katablished at HOI-HOW (海口), the Treaty Port of KIUNGUHOW (瓊州), and has been Opened for transaction of Business under this day's date.

H. Ö. BROWN, Commissioner of Customs.

Kiungchow Customs, Hoi-how, April I, 1876.

For Sale.

CAYLE & Co. have opened their first delivery of New Goods for the coming Season, to which they invite special atten-

Ladies' and Children's Readymade Costumes in a variety of Styles.

Morning Wrappers in Embroidered Linen, Printed, Cambric, White Brilliante and Muslin. French Toilet Jackets.

Richly Embroidered Cambric Skirts.

Large Assortment of Dress Materials in all the newest

designs. French Millinery of the latest fashions.

Boys' Holland Suits & Pinafores.

Ladies' Underclothing. Ladies' and Children's Boots and

Shoes.

fresh supply of the "Little, Wanzer-" Sewing Machines.

Agents for Hongkong. By Order of the Mortgages, under E SAYLE & Co., VICTORIA EXCHANGE,

Queen's Road & Stanley Street. JUST RECEIVED, Ex S. S. "NAPLES." A Large Assortment of New Books.

TOVELS, WORKS OF REFERENCE, GIFT BOOKS. SOHOOL BOOKS, do. LAMMERT, ATKINSON & Co. Hongkong, April 22, 1876.

JUST RECEIVED, Ex 8. 8. "VIKING & "NAPLES." DRIME Quality Busks' DANISH BUTTER in time of 1-lb., 2-lbs., and 4-lbs. each.

hhds. and kilderkins. LAMMERT, ATKINSON & Co. Hopgkong, April 22, 1876,

### for sale.

FOR SALE.

In One Lot, or in Lots to suit Purchasers. THE BUILDINGS, MACHINERY and LAND belonging to the BIEN HOA

SUGAR FACTORY (Cochin China), consisting of:-FIVE SUGAR MILLS, with accessories complete, Sheet iron Troughs, Copper

brokers at this Port, under the style of Boilers, Vacuum Pans, Five Tarbines with Independent Engines, Concretors, å0., å0., å0.

Machines for Adjusting and Fitting, Turning Lathe, Boring Machine, &c.,

&c., dro. One Gas Machine. One Steam-Crane.

Spare Materials, Iron and Copper Pipes of various dimensions, &c., &c. One Tug Boat, 50 H.P., 70 Tons, in good

One Steam Launch.

Fifteen large native Cargo Boats, in good The Land and Buildings of the Estate,

situated on the River. The Estate of Lacan Bienhoa Province, comprising an area of about 300 Hectars, mostly cultivated.

> Apply to THE BANQUE DE L'INDO-CHINE, SAIGON.

April 25, 1876.

### Auctions.

GENERAL WEEKLY SALE.

ANE, CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction, in their Sale Room, Praya, on

### FRIDAY,

the 28th April, 1876, at Noon,---; Morton's Oilman's Stores, Pickles, Sauces, Vinegar, Salad Oil, Table Salt, Tart-fruits, Jams, Jelly, Raisins, Currants, Tapioca, Oatmeal, Cheese, &c.

Assorted Bonbons, Lemon Syrup, Cotton Socks, Table Cloths, Napkins, Tooth Brushes, Shoe Brushes, Tobaco, Lime Juice, Chloride of Lime. 100 Navy Pistols.

4 cases Cologne Water.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars, weighed at 7.1.7. The Lot or Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.

Hongkong, April 25, 1876. PUBLIC AUCTION.

Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

SATURDAY, the 29th day of April, 1876, at 2 p.m.,

at his Sales Room, No. 8, Queen's ING at Daylight. An Invoice of Steel Engravings and

Chromolithographs An Invoice of Perambulators Sundry German, Latin, English, Spanish and French BOOKS.

A few Ningpo Carved Book Slides, Picture Frames and Figures.

Amoy COW with Calf at Foot. 1 Amoy HEIFER.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchasers' risk on the fall of the hammer. J. M. ARMSTRONG,

Auctioneer. Hongkong, April 26, 1876.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

of Sals. ANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have received instructions from the

#### Mortgagee to sell, on MONDAY,

the 8th May, 1876, at Noon,-The Whole of the Stock-in-trade, Shop Fittings, Machinery, Carpenter's, Engineer's, and Blacksmith's Tools, Household Furniture, &c., &c., do., of or my6 belonging to B. R. STANFORD, Shipwright, &c., on the Premises at Spring Gardens. Further particulars will be shortly

announced. THEMS OF SALE, -Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars, weighed at 7.1.7. BASS' ALE, (October brew), in bulk ;- All lots, with all faults and errors description, at Purchasers' risk on the fall

of the hammer. Hongkong, April 24, 1874,

### Intimations.

THE GREAT NORTHERN TELE-GRAPH COMPANY.

DURING my absence from Hongkong the MANAGEMENT of the above Company's Station will be TAKEN OVER by Mr C. C. Bejesen, who has been appointed Acting Superintendent. A. SUENSON.

Superintendent. Hongkong, April 6, 1876.

NOTICE. HE OFFICE of the Undersigned has

been REMOVED to No. 1, Queen's ROAD, corner of Ice House Lane. W. H. NOTLEY.

Hongkong, April 15, 1876.

Agent, Messrs. Henry S. King & Co.,

## COSMOPOLITAN DOCKS.

THE DOCKS being now completed, are capable of Docking any size Vessels frequenting this Port, and executing any

REPAIRS required. A large quantity of SPARS, LUMBER, IRON, COPPER, YELLOW METAL, &c., &c., always kept in Stock at cheap rates.

Length of Dock,......455 Feet. Breadth do., ...... 92 ,, Depth of Water, Springe, 24 ,, do., Neaps,.. 21 ,,

The following Rates will be charged until my25 | further notice :--Recoppering, including Dockage, Shor-

ing, Labor, Felt, Pitch, Tar and Oakum, 80 cents per Sheet. Painting Iron Steamers, including Dockage, 2 Coats Paint and 1 Coat Tallow, 35 cents per Ton Gross Register.

Painting Iron Steamers, including Dockage, 1 Coat Paint and 1 Coat Tallow, 80 cents per ton Gross Register. For further particulars, apply to

W. B. SPRATT & Co., 9, Praya East. Hongkong, April 20, 1876.

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

been Opened in London, under the Management of Mr WALDEMAR SCHMIDT, at 3, St. Michael's Alley, Cornhill.

SPECIAL AGENCY of the Company has

By Order, W. H. RAY, Secretary.

THE GREAT NORTHERN TELE-GRAPH COMPANY.

Hongkong, March 28, 1876.

ON account of the heavy sea the RE-PAIRS to the YANGTSZE CABLE have not yet been completed. The Company will keep up connection between GUTZLAFF ISLAND and SHANGHAI by aid of a TUG STEAMER, which will leave SHANGHAI EVERY EVENING and return EVERY MORN.

By this arrangement all Telegrams between this Port and Shanghai will be forwarded within 24 hours. CARL OHR. BOJESEN,

Acting Superintendent. Hongkong, April 24, 1876.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

NTOTICE is hereby given, that all ORE-DITORS and other Persons having any CLAIMS or DEMANDS upon or against the Estate of JOHN WOTHER-SPOON, late of Bangkok, in the Kingdom of Siam, who died on the 6th day of July 1871, and whose Will was duly proved in the Probate Jurisdiction of the Supreme Court of Hongkong by WILLIAM HENRY BRERETON, of 29, Queen's Road, Hongkong, Solicitor, to whom Letters of Administration with the Will annexed were duly granted by the said Court on the 10th day of March, 1876, are hereby required to SEND in writing the PARTICULARS of their Claims or Demands to the said Wil-LIAM HENRY BRERETON, on or before the 1st day of July next; and notice is hereby also given, that at the expiration of the last mentioned day the said WILLIAM HENRY BRERETON will proceed to distribute the Assets of the said John Wotherspoon amongst the parties entitled thereto, having regard to the Claims of which he has then had notice ; and that the said WILLIAM HENRY BREEFFON will not be liable for the

had notice at the time of the distribution. Dated this 29th day of March, 1876. W. H. BRERETON, 29, Queen's Road, Hongkong, Solicitor.

Assets or any part thereof so distributed to

any person of whose Claims he has not

WANTED.

myli]\_

A N Experienced European FEMALE to A accompany a Family with 8 Children to England. Terms, a free Passage. Applications to be sent to the Office of this paper, addressed "A. B. C." Hongkong, April 11, 1876, myll

### Entertainments.

CITY HALL. A ADAME CARLOTTA TASCA begs to announce that her FAREWELL UNCERT will take place at the above have quick despatch.

TO-NIGHT,

THURSDAY, 27th April, 1876. Under the immediate patronage and presence of E. SIR ARTHUR KENNEDY.

K.C.M. C.; C.B. VICE-ADMIRÁL KYDER, SIR JUHN AND LADY SMALE. COL. DICKINS. And the Officers of the 28th Regiment.

PROGRAMME: PART I. OVERTURE, "Der Freischtitz" Weber. Solo Pianoforte. Sonata Op. 27, (known as the Moonlight Sonata), ...... Beethoven. Song, "My Love is Waiting," Plumpton. SOLO PIANOFORTE-

A Doux Valses,..... Chopin, B Impromptu,..... Selection, "Faust,"......Gounod. SOLO/PIANOFORTE-A Reverie, ...... Carlotta Tasca.

An Interval of Ten Minutes. Solo Pianoforte. "Polks ... SOLO PIANOFORTE-ARIA, "'La Traviata,".......... Fordi.

des Naiades,".....Ascher.

B Tarantelle,.....

SOLO PIANOFORTE, "Le Chant

OVERTURE, "Les Diamans de

la Couronne,"......Auber. By kind permission of Colonel Dickins and Officers, the Band of H. M.'s 28th Regiment will play the above Orchestral Pieces-Conductor, Mr E. P. HIRST.

Reserved Seats, .....\$2.00 Unreserved Seats,.....\$1.00 Doors Open at 8.30, Commence at 9. Tickets to be had of Messrs Lane, CRAWFORD & Co., where a plan of the Hall may be seen.

# Hongkong, April 27, 1876.

shipping.

Steamers.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY. FOR SHANGHAI (DIRECT.) Taking Cargo & Passengers at through rates for

HANKOW, NINGPO & PORTS IN JAPAN. The Company's Steamship " GLAUCUS" will be despatched on or about the 28th Instant. For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE Hongkong, April 19, 1876. OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY. FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL

The Company's Steamship "AGAMEMNON" will be despatched on or For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Hongkong, April 24, 1876.

CASTLE LINE OF STEAMERS. FOR SHANGHAI. The Steamer expected here about the 27th
Instant, will have immediate

despatch for the above Port. For Freight or Passage, apply to ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Hongkong, April 24, 1876.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

NOTICE.

The Company's Steamship "VOLGA," Captain Nompedeu, which left YOKOHAMA on the 19th Instant, for this Port, will take Cargo here for Marseilles, &c.

For Freight, apply to G. DE CHAMPEAUX. Acting Agent. Hongkong, April 21, 1876.

## Sailing Vessels.

FOR MELBOURNE & SYDNEY. The A 1 British Barque "MARQUIS OF ARGYLE," Captain McKgon, will have immediate dispatch for the

above Ports. For Freight or Passage, apply to ROZARIO & Co. Hongkong, April 21, 1876.

# Shipping.

# Sailing Vessels.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The A 1 British Ship "MARGARITE,

JAMES OWEN, Master, will load for the above Port, and will

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

Hongkong, March 27, 1876. FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The A 1 American Bark

"JONATHAN CHASE, CURTIS, Master, will load for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

Hongkong, March 27, 1876. FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The A 1 British Clipper Ship FRANK BRISTOW, Master, will

will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

Hongkong, March 4, 1876. FOR NEW YORK. The A 1 American Ship SMITH, Master, will load here and at Whampon, and will

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, March 27, 1876.

"CHANNEL QUEEN." N. LEUF STEY, Master, having the greater part of her Cargo engaged, will have quick despatch as above. For Freight, apply to

Hongkong, April 6, 1876. NOTICE.

engaged, will have immediate dispatch for the following Ports.

The American Bark

"ALDEN BESSE," Captain ALLEN NOYES. For Freight or Passage, apply to ROZARIO & Co

hotices to Consignees.

S. S. GLENLYON, FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE, THE above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk by the Undersigned and stored at their Godowns, whence and

or from the Wharf or Boats delivery may be obtained. Shanghai unless notice to the contrary is given before 5 p.m. To-day

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents S. S. Glenlyon.

MARITIMES.

YONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer Tibre from Calcutta are hereby notified that the Cargo will be discharged into Bosts

Hongkong, April 5, 1876.

Consignees will have to sign an Average Bond before countersignature of the Bills

Not Responsible for Debts.

Owners will be Responsible for any

Brethoven, German barque, Captain K. Hale. - Meloners & Co.

have quick despatch as above.

FOR LONDON. The A 1 British Ship

MÊYER, ALABOR & Co.

The Undermentioned Vessels

having the greater portion of their Cargo and Passengers FOR HONOLULU, S. I., AND SAN FRANCISCO.

Hongkong, March 23, 1876.

Optional Cargo will be sent on to Cargo remaining undelivered after the 30th Instant will be subject to rent.

Hongkong, April 25, 1876.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES NOTICE.

and landed at the Company's Godowns. In both cases it will lie at the Consignee's rick. The Cargo will be ready for delivery shortly after her arrival. The above Steamer left Singapore on Saturday, 1st April, for this port. G. DE CHÂMPEAUX. Acting Agent.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per German Bark IPHIGENIA, MATZEN, Master, from Hamburg, are requested to take immediate delivery of their Goods from Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and

of Lading. WM. PUSTAU & Co., Hongkong, April 24, 1876.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay

in Hongkong Harbour:---

#### Mails.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, BATAVIA. POINT DE GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ, ISMAILA, PORT SAID, NAPLES, AND MARSEILLES;

PONDICHERRY, MADRAS AND CALCUTTA.

N SATURDAY, the 29th April, 1876, at Noon, the Company's S. S. SINDH, Commandant RAPATEL, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the

above places. Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping orders will be granted till noon, Cargo will be received on board until 4 P.M., Specie and Parcels until 3 P.M. on the 28th April, 1876. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.) Contents and value of Packages are re-For further particulars, apply at the

Company's Office. G. DE CHAMPEAUX,

Acting Agent. Hongkong, April 24, 1876.

for Salc.

FOR SALE.

Ex "OOEANIC." THIS Season's American HAMS and BACON in prime condition. Smoked Golden Gate Baker's EXTRA FLOUR

in Barrels and Tins. MACEWEN, FRICKEL & Co. Hongkong, February 19, 1876.

BISCUIT FLOUR.

N Excellent FOOD for INFANTS and A CHILDREN.

MANUFACTURED SOLELY BY THE HONGKONG & CHINA BAKERY Co., LIMITED.

In Tins Containing 6 lbs. Hongkong, April 8, 1876.

FOR SALE.

Casks CLARET from Bordeaux. 200 Casks OLA Apply to LANDSTEIN & Co.

Hongkong, March 10, 1876.

# To-day's Advertisements.

FOR AMOY (DIRECT.) The Steamship "LEONOR." Captain ARANGUREN, will be despatched for the above Port TO MORROW, the 28th Instant, at Noon. For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. Hongkong, April 27, 1876. CASTLE LINE OF STEAMERS. FOR SAIGON.

The Steamer " "GLAMIS CASTLE" "GLAMIS CASTLE"
will leave for the above Port at Daylight on SATURDAY, the 29th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,

Hongkong, April 27, 1876. FOR SWATOW, AMOY, TAIWANFO

AND TAMSUI.

The Steamship " HAILOONG, Captain Abnorr, will be de-

spatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 30th Inst., at Daylight. For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. Hongkong, April 27, 1876.

FOR COOKTOWN, BRISBANE AND SYDNEY.

(Taking through Cargo for MELBOURNE.) The Eastern and Australian Mail Steam Co.'s Steamer "SINGAPORE," Captain J. H. Peake, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the

6th May, at Noon. For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co. Hongkong, April 27, 1876.

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA. (Taking Cargo at through rates to HIOGO & NAGASAKI.)

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s S. S. "MALAUOA will leave for the above place phortly after the arrival of the Lombardy with the next English Mail. A. MOIVER.

Superintendent. Hongkong, April 27, 1876.

STRAM TO SHANGHAL. The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s S. S. "LOMBARDY" will leave for the above place shout 24 hours after her arrival with the next English Mail. A. MoIVER,

Superintendent. Hongkong, April 27, 1876.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NONSIGNEES per Company's steamet Glaucus are hereby notified that the Cargo is being discharged into craft & landed at the Godowns of the Undersigned, in both | 1to cases it will lie at Consigness' risk. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Godown on and after the 29th April,

Goods undelivered after 6th May, 1876, will be subject to Rent. BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Hongkong, April 27, 1876.

To-day's Advertisements.

NOTICE. COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS. The Company's Steamship Captain DE GIRARD, will be

MARITIMES.

despatched for YOKOHAMA shortly after the arrival of the next French

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Acting Agent.

Hongkong, April 27, 1876.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship "AVA," Captain FLEURIAIS, will be despatched for SHANGHAI shortly after her arrival from Europe.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX. Acting Agent.

Hongkong, April 27, 1876.

Just Landed and For Sale. THOICE AMERICAN BALDWIN O APPLES, in Good Condition, received packed in Ice, ex Ship "Comet." TUDOR COMPANY,

APPLES OFF THE ICE.

Hongkong, April 27, 1876.

J. F. HORGAN,

## SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

April 27, Fuyew, from Canton. April 27, Consolation, British steamer, 768, Cormack, Saigon April 22, Rice.-

April 27, Singapore, British steamer, 964, Jas. H. Peake, Sydney Mar. 29, Cooktown April 4, and Singapore 20, General. - GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

April 27, Giancus, British steamer, 1650, T. S. Jackson, London and Singapore April 20. General. -Buitebrield & Swins. April 27, Marie Heydorn II, German barque, 256, A. Mühlmann, Newchwang April 5, Beans, -- WM. PUSTAU & Co. 6.80 p.m. - Two barques signalled from

DEPARTURES. April 27, Douglas, for Swatow, &c. 27, Yangtsze, for Shanghai.

the westward.

CLEARED. Henrietta Behn, for Novgorosky. Ohristian, for Halphong. Villa de Rivadavia, for Manila. Yarra, for Takao. Duna, for Saigon. Leonor, for Amoy.

Pardo, for Saigon. ARRIVED. -- Per Singapore, Mr and Mis Greig, child and servant, Messrs Anderson, Smidt, Smith, Ah Sin and 51 Chinese from

Sydney, and 255 from Singapore. Per Glaucus, 1 European and 138 Chinese. DEPARTED.—Per Douglas, for Amoy, MI A. H. Duncan; for Fonchow, Dr Dean, and Mr J. H. P. Saunderson; 1 European deck and 277 Chinese.

Per Yangtsze, for Shanghai, Miss Bacon, Mr Bacon, and 2 other cabin.

SHIPPING REPORTS. The British steamer Singapore reports:

nothing but fine weather with light breezes throughout the passage. The British steamer Consolation reports: fine weather all the way to port.

The British steamer Glaucus reports: light N.E. and E winds and fine weather throughout. Passed the barque Ottercaps bound North, off Pulo Sapata, same day passed the barque Three Sisters and the s.s. Bowen, both bound South.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATINOS. MAILS WILL CLOSE :--For AMOY .---

Per LEONOR, at 11.30 a.m. To-morrow, the 28th Inst. For SHANGHAL -Per GLENLYON, at 8.30 p.m. To-more

row, the 28th Inst. Par GLAUCUS, at 4.50 p.m. To-morrow, the 28th Inst.

For SAIGON .-Per CITY OF EXETER, at 11.30 a.m. To-morrow, the 28th Inst., instead of as previously notified.

Per ADRIA, at 11.30 a.m. on Monday, the 1st May. MAILS DY THE FRENCH PACKET .--

The French Contract Packet SINDH, will be despatched on SATURDAY the 20th Inst., with Mails to and through the United Kingdom and Europe, via Marseilles; to Saigon, Singapore, Batavia, Galle, Pondicherry, Madras, Calcutta, Bombay, Aden, Suez, and Alexandria. The following will be the hours of closing

the Mails, do. Briday, 28th Inst. 5 P.M., Money Order Office closes. Post Office closes except the Night Box, which remains open all night.

Saturday, 29th Inst .-7 A.m., Post Office opens for sale of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence: 10 A.M., Registry of Letters ceases.

11 A.M., Post Office closes except for Late (11.10 A.M., Letters (but Letters only) addressed to the United Kingdom, Saigon, or Singapore may be posted

on payment of a Late Fee of 18 cents extra postage, until 11.80 A.M., when the Post Office Choses entirely.

ALFRED LISTER, Postmaster General.

General Post Office, mys | Hongkong, April 20, 1876,

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS WILL CLOSE:-For HOIHOW & HAIPHONG.— Per WASHI, at 5 p.m. on Saturday, the 29th Instant.

For BANGKOK .-Per DAN UBE, at 2.30 p.m. on Monday, the 1st May. For COOKTOWN, BRISBANE & SYD

NEY.— Per SINGAPORE, at 11.30 a.m. or Saturday, the 6th May. Mails will also be made up for all parts of East Australia, Tasmania, and

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET. The United States Mail Packet GAELIC. will be despatched on MONDAY, the 1st May, with Mails for Japan, San Francisco, and the United States, which will be closed as follows;— 2 P.M. Registry of Letters ceases.

2.30 P.M. Post-Office closes. 2.30 P.M. Correspondence may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 12 cents extra Postage

2.50 P.M. when the Mail is finally closed. Correspondence must be specially directed for this route, and if not fully prepaid will be sent by British Packet.

Letters, &c. can be posted for Canada, the West Indies, and other places named below, if sufficient American stamps are added to prepay them from San Francisco to destination. American Stamps are sold at this Office.

The charge for Registry is 8 cents in Hongkong Stamps, and 10 cents in U.S. Stamps to those places only the names of which are printed in Italics. To all the other places named correspondence cannot be Registered through, but only to San Francisco (8 cents.)

following are the charges on Correspon dence thus sent :--

Per half ounce.

Canada, British Columbia, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia. Prince Edward's Island. Vancouver's Island, Bahamas, Nassau, New Provid-Aspinwall, Bermuda, Bogota, Carthagena, Costa Rica, Ouba, Ouração, Fiji, Greenland, Jamaica, New Granada, Nicaragua, Panama, West Indies,....

Hawaii, Newfoundland ...... Guatemala, Mexico, Salvador, Venezuela, ..... Belize, Greytown, Guiana, Honduras, Martinique, Santa Martha, Turk's Island, Bolivia, Ecuador, Chili, Peru, Argentine Confederation, Buenos Ayres, Paraguay,..... 8

Newspapers (not over 4 oz.) Books, &c., per 4 oz.,..... Any articles found enclosed in Newspapers or Book Packets (as silk scarves, jewellery, &c.) will be detained.

ALIRED LISTER, Postmaster General. General Post Office

Hongkong, April 14, 1876.

MAILS BY THE ENGLISH PACKET.-The English Contract Packet GWALIOR, will be despatched with the Mails for Europe, &c., on SATURDAY, the 6th May.

The following will be the hours of closing the Mails, &c. :-Friday, May 5,---

5 P.M., Money Order Office closes. 6 P.M., Post Office closes except the Night Box, which remains open all night. Saturday, May 6,-7 A.M., Post Office opens for sale

of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and · Posting of all correspondence. 10 A.M., Post Office closes except for Late Letters. Registry of Letters ceases. 10.15 A.M., Letters may be posted on

payment of a LATE FEE of 18 cents extra Postage until 11 A.M., when the Post Office CLOSES 11.30 A.M., Letters (but Letters only) addressed to the United Kingdom Via

Brindisi or to Singapore may be posted on board the Packet on payment of a Late Fee of 48 cents extra postage. 11,50 A.M., Posting on Board ceases. ALFRED LISTER,

Postmaster General General Post Office, Hongkong, April 24, 1876.

General Memoranda.

SATURDAY, April 29:--Daylight, - Glamis Castle leaves for Noon,-French Mail leaves for Ports of

Call and Europe. 2 p.m.—Sale of Sundries at Mr J. M. Armstrong's Sales Roon. Sunday, April 30:--Amoy, Taiwanfoo and Tamsui.

Goods per Glenlyon undelivered after this date subject to rent. Claims against the Estate of George Barty Falconer, deceased, must be sent in on or before this date.

Monday, May 1 :-and San Francisco. 9 p.m. - Meeting of Zetland Lodge.

Friday, May 8:---Agamemnon leaves for London on or about this date. SATURDAY, May 6:--

Noon.-English Mail loaves for Ports of Call and Europe. Noon.—Singapore leaves for Cooktown, Brisbane and Sydney. Goods per Glaucus undelivered after

this date subject to rent. MONDAY, May 8:--Noon. Sale of Stock in trade and Household Furniture, of Mr B. R. Stanford, Shipwright, at Spring Gardens.

Monday, May 15:--8 p.m,-American Mail leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco,

# MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping. Noon.-Leonor leaves for Amoy (direct. Glaucus leaves for Shanghai on or about this date.

Auctions. Noon. -General Weekly Sale by Mesers

### TO ADVERTISERS.

Lane, Crawford & Co.

The attention of Advertisers is respectfully drawn to the fact that a copy of the China Mail has for some time past been placed on board of every Steamer and Sailing Vessel on arrival in this Harbour. Facilities which have recently been placed within the reach of Captains and Officers of Ships have resulted in a material increase to the Subscription List of the Mail amongst the shipping in port; and as special arrangements have been made to increase the usefulness of the Shipping List and to extend the circulation in the Bay, these advantages will be at once apparent to Advertisers.

Orders may be sent to GEO. MURRAY BAIN, China Mail Office.

The publication of this issue commenced at 7.00 p.m.

### MARRIAGE.

On the 27th Instant, at St. John's Cathedral, Hongkong, by the Kevd. R Hayward Kidd, Colonial Chaplain, WILLIAM HENRY HAMMOND of Torrington, Devon, to Marion, Daughter of the late Rowland Hill, Esq., of Cheddar, Somerset.

## THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, APRIL 27, 1876.

WE hope the Public Gardens will not be left without some attraction in the shape of music during the ensuing summer months. They can scarcely be frequented during the day on account of the heat, and unless something special is to be seen or heard in them after sundown, we fear they will entirely waste their sweetness on the air. The Colony has every reason to be proud of the gardens from their picturesqueness and beauty, and a general desertion of them during the next few months would be much to be regretted. Cannot the regimental band gratify the residents by playing in the Gardens on one evening in the week Of course this is asking a great favour of the officers and bandsmen, nor should we perhaps have said anything on the matter had not the band of a regiment previously stationed here occasionally performed in the Gardens during the summer evenings. We are aware that the band at the present time performs once a week at the barracks, but this, of course, is not nearly so great a boon to the residents as would be a little music in the Gardens. In the neighbourhood of the barracks there is no seat accommodation; the place also swarms with chair coolies, soldiers and seamen, some whom are not always in a state to be most agreeable neighbours, and altogether, the locality is not by an means well adapted for promenading, as would be the Gardens.

Ir cannot be admitted that Japan has fully taken her place among enlightened nations so long as she prohibits the reporting of criminal trials. The case of the Custom House officer, Konoma, who is charged with assaulting Mr Pass, having been called on for hearing in the Judicial Court of Kanagawa-ken on the 18th instant, the Judge, on taking his seat, ordered that the reporters should be excluded. Mr Pass objected to this proceeding, and refused to give evidence unless the reporters were admitted. The Judge then explained that by the Japanese law reporters could not be present at criminal trials, and asked Mr Pass to withdraw his charge against, we presume, Konoma, This Mr Pass obmys | jected to do, and ultimately the Court broke up without going into the case. There is in the mind of Englishmen, and, so far as we know, of all Europeans, the most decided objection to any man being put on his trial, either in a criminal or a civil court, secretly, without the presence of the public, or their representatives, the reporters. A greater cafeguard for the administration of justice and mercy does not exist than the publicity which is given to all the proceedings Daylight. - Halloong leaves for Swatow, in our judicial courts, or to which they are liable. We trust that before Japan adopts more of European practices she will repeal the statute which prohibits the presence of reporters at criminal trials in the courts of the country. By the Judge making his objection to the 3 p.m.—Occidental & Oriental S. S. Co.'s presence of reporters and then asking The steamer Washt has had her screw Steamer Gaelio leaves for Yokohama Mr Pass to withdraw his charge against looked to in Kowloong. Dock, and she is Konoma in the manner he did, it almost now all right. looks as if there was some unfair dealing in the case on the part of the authorities, but, of course, this is a matter on which we can scarcely form an opinion here, especially with such scanty informs- are now working satisfactorily. tion before us.

> the gun boats Fah Sheng and Chien Sheng into the German Consulate, subject however to certain conditions. Our contemporary thinks that it is now pro-

to us it is fitted for settlement in a Court of law, rather than by any other mode of procedure. The facts of the case have been stated as follows. During the Formosan difficulty the late Governor of Fuhkien contracted for two gunboats to be delivered at Foochow in August last, at a cost of £32,500 each. The half a year beyond that time, and in the meantime the Governor with whom the contract was made had died, and was succeeded by Ting Jih-chang. On examining the vessels the new Governor was dissatisfied with them, for according to his knowledge of such matters, they were not worth more than £20,000; but he was willing to pay the amount stipulated provided the vessels were found to fulfil the conditions on which they had been ordered. A Commission of Enquiry, however, reported first, that they could attain a speed of only seven knots an hour, instead of eight, as contracted far; that the gin was placed on deck instead of being mounted on an elevated screw; that the boilers were seventeen inches above the water-line instead of being on a level with the water, and that there were other minor differences. Under these circumstances the sum of \$118,750 was paid to the contractors, who, however, demanded the balance, which, it now ap- Thursday, April 20th, 115 pears, has been paid under protest. If Friday, it be true that the boats did not come up | Saturday, to the terms of the contract, then it is Sunday, clear the Chinese have been hardly dealt with, and deserve sympathy, but no doubt the matter has become somewhat complicated through the death of the Governor who ordered the vessels.

THE SPIRIT OF THE MORNING PRESS.

The Press says it is satisfactory to learn, on the authority of the Foothow Herald, that the negociations in-connection with the outrage on the Anna, between the German Authorities and the Chinese Government are in a fair way to being amicably settled. The Chinese Government has, it seems, acceded to two out of the three points the German Minister was instructed to insist upon, namely, the punishment of the crew and the degradation of the officials, who, by their inaction in the matter, practically denied justice to the Germans. The punishment of the mandarins is a matter for congratulation and shows that the Chinese Government are intent on inflicting merited punishment in this case. Too frequently the weight of retribution falls solely on the minor offenders, whose punishment fails to have any deterrent effect in the future, or to convince the natives of the ability of foreigners to exact satisfaction and compensation for outrages committed upon them. notorious for the systematic neglect their duty to foreign officials, and have on all occasions done their best to throw obstacles in the way of the just settlement of difficulties, and it was high time that some action was taken to convince them that they cannot pursue this policy with German Minister at Peking has already borne good fruit. Nothing is better calculated to put an end to the perpetually

so with a good grace. THE HONGKONG NATIVE PRESS. The Chinese Mall publishes a despatch which the Foechow Board of Trade has addressed to Mr De Lano, acting Consul for Germany, in reference to the Anna affair. It details at great length the energetic action Ting Futai, have taken in the matter. The Chung Ngoi San Po has no editorial

in this issue. The Universal Circulating Herald com-

ments on the increased growth of Indianteas. It has another article on European

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

and Vigilant will sail on Saturday.

WE learn that the Macao authorities have IT appears from the Foothow Herald consented to the Chinese establishing a that the Chinese Government have paid Customs' Station—at least an examination the balance of the purchase money for office-at Wan Tsai (Patera Island), and that the Native Customs' staff have already

bable that the dispute will become the A connessonment auggests that the road-

o'clock in the morning, instead of from nine to ten, and says that this morning the dust in the Queen's Road was almost choking. The suggestion is a good one, and no doubt will obtain the consideration of the proper authorities.

vessels, however, did not arrive till over THE Indépendant de Saigon of the 15th inst, notices the fact that five of the pirates of the Pelican have been arrested. \$8,000 had also been recovered, and a further sum of \$4,000 it was hoped would be unearthed. The Annamites appear to have assisted the pirates, and justice is demanded against them by our Saigon contemporary.

> THE cases before the sitting Magistrate today were chiefly of an uninteresting character. The only ones of any moment, so far as results went, were two charges of dereliction of duty against the Government night-soil contractor. He was fined \$400 for each offence, and thus far the Government coffers are enriched.

RETURN of Visitors to the City Hall Library and Museum for the week ending April

European. Chinese. 22nd, 23rd, Sunday 322 Wednesday, Totals, 1,101

### SUPREME COURT.

Grand total, 2,899

IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION. (Before His Lordship Chief Justice Sir JOHN SMALE, with a Special Jury.). April 27, 1876.

A CLAIM FOR DAMAGES. Chun Po Yeung v. The P. & O. S. N. Coy.

The following Special Jury was sworn: -Messra G. B. Emory, S. Pomeroy, J. P. Barnes, H. Hoppius, J. F. Cordes, E. 1 Belilios, and H. B. Gibb.

Mr Kingsmill, instructed by Mr Brereton, appeared for the plaintiff, and The Attorney General, the Hon. Mr J. Bramston, instructed by Messrs Sharp, Toller and Johnson, appeared for the de-

This case was continued to-day. Mr Kingsmill having closed his case for the plaintiff, the Attorney General opened that for the defendant. He premised that he was willing to accede to Mr Kingsmill's proposition of rendering the sterling value Into dollars at the rate of 4/. He also premised that if the Jury-had found a verdict for the plaintiff in respect of the claim for the \$1,833, the damage for ten days' detention of the steamer, he would ask the Jury to determine the actual number of days which the ship was detained. This question of detention, however The Fokien Authorities have long been depended on the point whether the Captain of the Adria was not justified in causing the delay according to the terms of the charter party. As to the lighterage, the amount actually incurred was a question for the Jury to decide, and as to the fifteen European passengers for Sydney and the Chinese passengers, there was no evidence. to show that the men would take passage in the Adria. The case depended entirely on the terms of the charter party, and impunity. The resolute stand made by the upon the nature of the Australian Cost. The defendant was charged with having broken his charter party, first, in not going over the bar of Cooktown; 2nd, in that the Captain refused to take some European passengers from Cooktown to recurring and vexatious popular outbreaks Sydney which he was bound to take, accordin this province than to make the manda ing to the terms of the charter party, and third, in that he refused to take 56 Chinese rins responsible for them. . . The quespassengers from Sydney for Hongkong, and tion of compensation has yet to be decided, that in consequence, the defendant was but it is tolerably certain that the German responsible for the passage money. As regards this point, however, there was no demand is a fair one, or the British, Rusevidence to show that these men had prosian and American Governments would not mised to take passage in this steamer. Then have given it their moral support. There as to the European passengers, the plaintiff was bound by the charter party to supply is nothing left to the Chinese Government the necessary fittings and materials for the but to yield, and it will be well for it to do carriage of passengers, while the defendar t

was bound to take any Chinese passengers and deck passengers free of charge, up to the number allowed by law. The European passengers spoken of were returned diggers and were not first class passengers. They were offered passages and Captain Breeze did not refuse them. By the terms of the charter party the plaintiff was to suppl the necessary fittings for the carriage of passengers. The European presengers required knives and forks and there were which the Foochow authorities, especially none on board. Other fittings suitable for the carriage of European passengers were also wanting, and Captain Breeze had of fered to take them if the plaintiff would aupply these extra fittings. Therefore, if there was any breach of contract on that score, it was the plaintiff's. The third point of the case, that of the Captain not crossing the bar, was an important one involving as it did the question of the responsibility and duty of a Captain. involved the principles on was to discharge his duty ! it involved the question whether he could exercise his discretion, having regard to his responsibility to his owner for the safety of the vessel, to the charterer for the safety of his goods, and to all the consig nees for the safe conveyance of their cargo With this responsibility over his head, was he bound then to surrounder his discretion, but to throw himself tight and fast into the hands of a pilot . The Captain of a ship was bound to exercise his own discretion, and the Attorney General We are informed that the Russian lines of quoted the case of the Flying Fish, Bi L. J., p. 118. This was a collision case the Great Northern Telegraph Company which one of Her Majesty's ships had with a smaller vessel, and it was held that it was the Flying Fish which was to blame. The point in this case was that if the Captain had a reasonable doubt, he wes not responsible for any nautical ignorande. The Attorney General then argued

that looking upon the weather, the locality and all the surrounding circumate stances, Captain Breeze was justified in not going into the port of Cooktown. If the jury had heard the evidence of the defence, they would have undoubtedly come to the conclusion that it would have

entered upon their duties.

subject of legal proceedings, and it sooms sweeping should be done from are to six been gross sulpable negligence on the part

# CTATA MALLI.

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, 27TH APRIL, 1876.

# Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eight Sections, commencing at Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked h., near the Kowloong shore k., and those in the body of the Shipping or midway between each shore are marked c., in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

Section.

1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.

2. From Gas Works to the Novelty Iron Works.

3. From Novelty Iron Works to the Harbour Master's Office.

4. From Harbour Master's to the P. and O Co.'s Office.

Section.

5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Peddar's Wharf.

6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.

7. From Naval Yard to the Pier.

8. From Pier to East Point.

Vessel's Name.	nchor-	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
Steamers	- <del>  2</del>					TO LA CO		
Adria		Breeze	Brit. str.	781 999	April 23	Wm. Pustau & Co. Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Benledi		Buchanan Smith	Brit. str. Brit. str.	1327	April 11	(IP & O. S. N. Co.	T.O.T. Orthonor	Mails
Bombay City of Exeter		Gorley	Brit. str.	787	April 12	Hop Kee	Saigon	
Consolation		Cormack	Brit. str.		April 27	Tot Hong	Bangkok	Sand's Slip
Danube	2 h	Clanchy	Brit. str.		- I	Yuen Fat Hong Douglas Lapraik & Co.	Coast Ports	
Douglas		Burnie	Brit. str. Brit. str.	876	April 2	Gilman & Co.	Saigon	
Dana		Thornson Croad	Chi. str.	980	April 2	7 C. M. S. N. Co.	Shanghai Y'hama & S. F'cisco	Mails May 1
Fuyew Gaelic	·   :_	Ridley	Brit, str.	2652	A mril 1	31P. M. S. S. Co.	Y'hama et S. F checu	mentes many -
Genoa	4 1	Corrigall	Brit. str.	1216	April 2	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Glamis Castle		Dickie	Brit. str.	1539	April 2	1 Adamson, Bell & Co. 5 Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Glenlyon		McDonald	Brit. str. Brit. str.		Anril 1	9 Siemssen & Co.		
Hankow		c Symington k Gollards	Dut. str.		April 2	4 Eduard Schellhass & Co.		.00.5 64
Java Leonor		Aranguirre	Span. str	408	April 2	6 Douglas Lapraik & Co.	Amoy Bangkok	$_{\rm h}$ $_{\rm c}$ $_{\rm c}$ $_{\rm c}$ $_{\rm c}$
Norden	5	c Jensen	Dan. str	778	April 1	3 Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Swatow	
Norna		h Walker	Brit. str	1		6 Kwok Acheong 4 Landstein & Co.		
Pardo -	-  5  4	c Power	Brit. str Amer. str	280	June 1	8 Aug. Heard & Co.	**************	Laid up
Pawtuxet Rajanattianuhar		k h Hopkins	Brit. str	. 933	April 2	5 Yuen Fat Hong	Bangkok	Mails
Sindh	. t	c Rapatel	Fch. str	1 2103	April 2	6 Messageries Maritimes	Marseilles, &c.	
Singapore	. [	c Peake	Brit. str	964	April 2	Gibb, Livingston & Co. Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Stad Amsterdam	E1	k Boon	Dut. str Brit. str	1/20 820	April	Douglas Lapraik & Co.		-
Thales		h Coles k Girard	Foh. str	1096	Anril	7 Messageries Maritimes	Yokohama	
Tibre Vancouver		c Shaw	Brit. str	+2923	Anril	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	W. L. James	
Volga		c Nomdedeu	Fch. str	4.1  950	April 2	26 Messageries Maritimes	Yokohama	K'loong Dock
Washi	1 .	Hunter	Brit. Bti	265	April .	17 Landstein & Co.	*************	Repairing
Yottung	- 1	h	Brit. st	324	June	9 Kwok Acheong		
Sailing Vessels		h Molgon	Brit. bl	699	April	13 Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.		
Abbey Cowper	1	h Nelson k Noyes	Amer. bl	. 842	Mar.	10 Rozario & Co.	Honolulu & S./F'co	D
Alden Besse Alma		h Lehmeyer	Ger. bl	. 388	i April	26 Melchers & Co.		
Anna Dorothea	7	k Schutt	Ger. bl	330	) April	25 Wm. Pustau & Co.		
Annie Fish		k Hiffses		1. 1490	April	23 Messageries Maritimes 22 Melchers & Co.		No.
Beethoven		k Haje	Ger. bl	s. 340 s 366	i Amril	15 Siemssen & Co.		
Canton		c Krantz \ h Green	Ger. b		April	22 Wm. Pustau & Co.		
Cap Horn Caroline Behn		kSchmidt	Ger. b	s. 673	3 April	24 Siemssen & Co.	New York	
Charter Oak	4	c Smith		a. 96	3 Nov.	11 Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	MOM TOLK	
Chas. C. Leary	3	T . T		k 64	4 April	24 Captain 20 Siemssen & Co.		•
Chow Sye		c Stehmeyer		i	5 Tan	8lOrder	*************	Repairing
Christina A. P.		h Federico k Stehr	Amer. sc Ger. sc	h. 28	0 April	2 Eduard Schellhass & Co.	Haiphong	
Christian Comet		h Bray		h. 115	7 Anril	23 Tudor Company		
Commissary		c Hunter	1, -, .	h.  90	0 April	23 Eduard Schellhass & Co.		
Corinne		k Gorman	Brit. b	k. 39 k. 33	5 April	21 Eduard Schellhass & Co.		
Fano	1 -	k Norby k Christiansen		k. 31	6 April	23 Eduard Schellhass & Co.		
Feiga Franz		h Hildebrandt		h. 14	8 Dec.	18 Frazar & Co.	Australia	Repairing
Glory		h Witt	Siam. b		9 April	11 Uninese	Bangkok Novgorosky	
Henrietta Behn	2	2 c Schaechtel	<u> </u>	k. 96		23 Order 6 Frazar & Co	Bangkok	Repairing
John Sverdrop		2 h Petersen		g. 18	2 April	20 Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	San Francisco	
Jonathan Chase		1 c Curtis 3 k Lindsay	1	$\begin{array}{c c} \mathbf{k}, & 69 \\ \mathbf{k}, & 39 \end{array}$	5 April	23 Adamson, Bell & Co.		
Kassa		4 k Owens		sh. 86	4 Mar.	17 Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	San Francisco	<u>er</u> kongression
Margarite Marquis of Argyll		2 k McKean	Brit. 1	k. 50	00 April	10 Rozario & Co.	Melbourne & Sydn	e <b>y</b>
Mount Lebanon		3 h Hall	1	k. 58	O April	23		
Ocean Chief		8 c Coat			36 April	24 P. M. S. S. Co. 26 P. M. S. S. Co.		
Otago		2 h Swadden		h	36 April 21 April			
Pallas	•	1 k Lueder 5 k Laidman			83 April	23 Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Presto Prince Arthur		7 k Wells			96 April	25 P. M. S. S. Co.		
Ricca Genova	ļ	8 c Cummins	Brit.			24 Chinese	San Francisco	
Shalimar		3 k Cotter		sh. 159	96   Mar. 20   April			
Swallow		2 h Howes		sh. 12 sh. 10	39 April 62 Feb.	26 Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	San Francisco	
Sydenham		4 c Bristow 4 k Sorensen	1		47 April	21 Eduard Schellhass & Co.		
Victor Wealthy Pendleton		2 c Blanchard	•	bk. 8	09   Mar.	30 Captain	1	
Yarra	<del>-</del> .	Orfeur		bk. 4	63 April	12 Order	Takao	
			): 					
AOGMAN		Taina	Fch.	bk. 5	53 April	18 Landstein & Co.	Cheloo	A. 1
Louise Marie	<i>i</i> .	Laine	L'OH,					
CANTON Chinkiang	İ	Hogg		· . · · · · · ·	98 Apri	23 Siemssen & Co.	Shanghai Shanghai	
Yangtsze		Schultze	Brit.	str. 7	83 April	21 Siemssen & Co.	Shanghai	
The second second		roma de alegados do la			1	The state of the s		

# Men-of-war in Hongkong Harbour.

Vessel's Name.	Ånchor-	Flag.	Class.	Tons.	Guns.	H. P.	Date of Arrival.	Commander.
Ariadne Audacious Cyclop Egeria Flamer Frolic Hertha Juno Kearsarge Kestrel Mesanes Mosquito Thalia Thistle Victor Emanuel Vigilant Yantic At Canton Palos	666746776667766676	German British German British British German British American British British British British British British British American American	corvette iron-clad (flag-ship) gunboat steam sloop aux. naval hospital gun vessel corvette corvette gun vessel military hospital gunboat corvette gun vessel despatch vessel gunboat gunboat	1400 6750 360 727 462 2200 1462 638 462 2591 295 1456 464 3087 650 410	14 6 4 4 19 6 6 4 4 6 2 2 3 ···	800 80 120 100 400 400 500 100 60 400 250 288	April 14 Feb. 27 April 10 April 25  Mar. 31 April 16 April 20 Mar. 15  April 13 April 22 Feb. 27  Mar. 25 April 9  April 18	Kühne Colomb Von Reiche W. F. Castle D. M. Insp. Gen. Morgan C. E. Buckle Knorr J. A. Poland F. V. McNair C. B. Theobald Capt. Becker R. H. Paul Woolcombe Francis Stirling Commodore Parish H. C. D. Ryder R. S. McCook W. R. Bridgeman

At Canton Palos American	can gunboat 306	April 18 W. R. Bridgeman
FOOCHOW SHIPPING IN PO April 22, 1876. Chun Sheng British steamer *Douglas for Hongkong *Enrope for Shanghai Fu. Sheng British steamer Tokatea for Shanghai  SHANGHAI SHIPPING IN HARE April 22, 1876.  MERCHANT STEAMERS. Aden Agamemnon British China German Cyphrenes British	Fusiyama American Fychow American Glenartney British Gwalior British Honan American Howsaug Chinese Hupeh American Pau-tah Chinese Shanghai British Shingking American *Sindh French Szechuen American Taku British Tunsin British	Charley British barque Ellen Browse British barque Gesiena Dutch schooner Hedwig Swedish barque Oceanus German brig Rifleman British barque Velos German barque Wm. Van Name American barque  MEN-OF-WAR.  Atalante French iron-clad Charybdis British corvette The Clocheterie French corvette Monocacy American corvette
Fire Queen American	* Since left port, or arrived at Hongko	ng. Monocacy American corvette

Attes concerned if he had gone across the European set up the Washing Machine ing the ship to Cooktown before he made | sale at the Dock Yard here? that if Mr MacIver had refused to allow sale like the patent Ice-making Machine. have been exonerated for his not comply- for a song. ing with the terms of the charter party. The Jury must judge this case by the state of things that existed at the time, and not by what had happened afterwards. They must judge by what was within Capt. Breeze's knowledge at the end of March 1875. The Adria was drawing 14 feet 6 inches, and the evidence shewed that at ordinary high tide the water on the bar was only from 14 to 15 feet. Was he then to risk his ship? Would any reasonable seaman cross the bar? Would it not be looked upon as a venturesome act ? Moreover, Capt. Breeze contemplated that if he had gone in, he might vear. A year or two ago, the quantity of have been shut in. Then again, there was cuttlefish exported from here to Shanghai, The state of the channel inside. By the Hankow and other Chinese ports, amounted evidence they had found that it was impos- to nearly 58,000 piculs and was valued at sible to turn the ship inside the port, a nearly Tls. 289,100. To-day being the ship must come out stern foremost, and anniversary of the birthday of the Queen this for one whole mile. Therefore of Heaven, the Chinese commenced early stern foremost, a Captain had to steer through a narrow channel, the width of which was barely the length of the vessel. Some witnesses had called the anchorage in Cooktown a harbour, but he would show that it was only a port, and was by no means a harbour, the so called harbour being only a few hundred feet of water from where the ships lay. Then agoin, as to the facilities of discharging casgo alongside the wharf, the only appliances were two spars in two of the wharves. company. As to the third wharf, there of its ability to excavate to that depth. An weather at Cooktown, at the time the machine, which capsized and sunk some Adria was at Cooktown, was not so serene | three years ago. This is no easy task, as it

Only exception being that of the Fuen tions and taking notes in a quiet way, which came out in flood tide; it so hap- which will be of value, should there ever tide on that day. The wind was S.E. | England and China. There is reason to when the Adria arrived, and with such a believe that a considerable amount of ining the bar. Then the Wanga Wanga was | collected during the few months past. said to have never been aground, but it had been proved by the wharfinger that hood of Lao Ling Hsien, in Shantung, of she had grounded twice while alongside a very interesting phenomenon which has the wharf. Such being the case it would been attracting much attention in that have been rash for Capt. Breeze to have section of late. The land in the particular gone up the river. The Attorney General | place where the phenomenon was witnessthen referred to the evidence of Mr Behre, ed, lies much lower than the surrounding the then agent for the plaintiff, who gave country. Some time since, it was noticed it as his opinion that it was not safe | that a small tract, covering about three li for the Adria to have gone in, and he in extent, was gradually becoming damp. Would certainly not have sanctioned it, and then quite wet on the surface. Now it having regard to the terms of the charter- is said that over an area covering about ten party and to all surrounding circumstances. | li, the ground is very wet, and in many The Attorney General then referred to the places the water is bubbling up, giving evidence of the Victoria and Capt. Philips, every appearance of a small lake being which bore on the description of the port formed. Two explanations are suggested, P. & O. S. N. Company, was then examined. is already very low, the water is making

He spoke to entering into the charter party its way through the porous soil from with the plaintiff. At that time he said streams more or less remote, and so finding he had never heard of Cooktown. He first | its level. Whichever hypothesis be correct, heard of the place about three weeks after. [the fact, if such it be, is most interesting. wards, when he was told in the office that the Adria might be required to go there. different sources, there appears to be a good The plaintiff wanted some alterations made | degree of credibility attaching to the for the conveyance of Chinese passengers. | rumour. Still, we must not be in too great Witness at first objected, but on plaintiff haste in accepting it. offering to pay half the expense he acceded. because the alterations would be a permanent improvement to the vessel. Plain- | seriously, that the Chinese authorities are tiff also wished the vessel docked in order praying for it. - For the last two or three that she might make a quick passage, and days, the South gate of the city—called witness agreed to this also on plaintiff the Fire-gate-has been closed, to the great offering to pay half the expense. The inconvenience of those desiring to avail charter party was in the usual form for themselves of this way of ingress and time charter parties in Hongkong.

Mail Steamship Company, was examined at | No indications of a shower yet. great length in respect to the approaches to the port of Cooktown, and to the nature of | because of the number of junks in the river. the channel. His opinion as a nautical man | The steamers have to run into the bank was that it would not have been safe for | frequently to avoid a collision, and in all the Adria to go into the port.

After reading the evidence of some other | Correspondent, april 15. witnesses, the case was adjourned till tomorrow at 10 a.m., when Captain Breeze will be examined.

#### IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION. (Before Mr Justice Snowden.) 27th April, 1876.

claim for \$227. - ir Dennys for plaintiff, head of a company with flags, and as there and Mr Wotton for defendant. This suit was not room for two, the baunermen arose out of a guarantee, dated the 16th unhorsed the civilian. The Soochow Foo October 1875, given by the defendant to returned, went into his judgment hall and the plaintiff to secure the good conduct of | made demonstrations, but the Chinese say one Shum Yee Wo, an assistant in the em- he can obtain no redress, for the soldiers ploy of the plaintiff. The claim was made with banners belong to the Emperor's up of certain moneys due to the Hang family (Tartars.) I mentioned in my last. Loong, Him Loong and Kwong Cheong | the narrow pile of rubbish piled in the busy pig lans, for which the plaintiff was liable, strest where the late fire occurred. On

and stated that it was his universal course when he met a horse. He stepped aside, of trade to buy pigs on cash; all the pigs but as the place was narrow, fell over and a he bought through Shum Yee Wo he had large stone crushed in his nose, causing impaid for. But in August last he heard that mediate death. - N. U. D. News Corres-Shum Yee Wo owed the pig lans money, pondent. and on reckoning his account he found there were 33 Taels due to him, but in consideration of his retaining the said Shum agreed to enter into the guarantee in question. He did not know how much was due to the pig lans until December last. when a claim was made upon him. He has not paid these claims yet.

Yip Achee, master of the Him Loong pig lan, was then called, and he stated that he bought by a man named Ahee, who was the buyer for the plaintiff; the money due to his firm was on a funning account. He bought pigs on cash.

After further hearing, his Lordship reserved judgment.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

To the Editor of the " CHINA MAIL." Hongkong, April 26, 1876. DEAR SIR, -Apropos of your question, It Why does not some European catablish a years:

Capt. Breeze in his duty towards all | Laundry?" I would ask why does not some The plaintiff had contemplated send- that was a short time ago advertised for

the charter party, and yet he kept back the | I presume that was the machine that had | information from the defendant, who cor- been in use on board the Hospital-ship am afraid, however, that if he were to push account, except by a system of secret signs, tainly never contemplated such a voyage. Victor Emmanuel during the Ashantee It was too late now, of course, for the | War: washing, ironing, drying, mangling, Attorney General to say what would have &c., machinery of the latest construction been the result had the plaintiff told the had been provided for the hospital on defendant what were his intentions in the board that ship, and in her transformation charter of the ship, but he had no doubt here it was taken out and advertised for with a native who has spent several years although it is difficult to get at the truth of

the steamer to proceed to Cooktown, there I should have thought this machinery the well-known odour which poured forth demondery and fetishism with which the would have been a trial here, and the A. | admirably adapted (as to size etc.) for a G. had no doubt that the defendant would beginner here, and most likely it, was sold

Yours faithfully,
E. B.

### China.

NINGPO.

At this time of the year a great number of Ningpoese go out to the Chusan Archipelago for the purpose of catching cuttlefish. It is estimated that between forty and fifty thousand people and from eight to nine thousand boats are engaged in this trade, which lasts about three months every the difficulty of steering a this morning, in fact very early indeed, to celebrate the joyful event, much to the annoyance of us foreigners; for at 3 o'clock this morning firing was heard from some of the mandarin gunboats which are moored abreast of the settlement. The firing has been kept up at intervals during the day. -

Courier Correspondent.

For some days after the trial of the dredging machine, it was engaged in digging and they were the private property of a la hole 35 feet deep, to convince the Chinese were no appliances whatever. The effort is now being made to raise the French as it was stated to be. A steamer arrived is so deeply embedded in the mud as to in about the same time and was unable to all probability necessitate its being broken land her passengers until thirteen hours up. Chains attached to the dippers are after arrival owing to the weather, and in | fastened, by Chinese divers, to projections similar lighters. It would be thus seen of the old machine, and so parts are being what sort of weather there was at the time. | broken off, but the machine itself does not There was another point, steamers could | seem to have moved. - Captain Trotter, of only come out when the tide was ebb, the | the Royal Engineers, is making observabened, however, that there was no ebb | be difficulty of a serious nature between wind, great risk would be incurred in cross- | formation of a similar character has been A report comes to us from the neighbor-

one, that an actual depression of the land Mr McIver, the superintendent of the is in progress; the other, that as the land As it has reached us from two or\_three

The last few days have been very dry and hot. The want of rain is felt so egress. It was to be closed three days, and Capt. Peake, a Captain in the Australian if no rain came, it was to be kept closed.

> Navigation is very difficult just now, cases must go very slow. -N. C. D. News

There was considerable gossip on Saturday, over a very small affair which occurred at the largest gate in the city. The Soochow Foo had just passed through the gate to see a friend upon a boat, and his Secretary was riding behind, when just then a Hoo Too Shing v. Lee Kwong Chee, Military Mandarin was coming in at the and \$69.24 due to the plaintiff himself. Friday, an old gentleman, whose son is a The plaintiff was called to prove his case, | very wealthy man, was passing the spot

In the Northern end of Socchow is a fine Yee Wo in his business the defendant pageds, known by personal inspection to many of your readers, which is, since the cutting panic had spread to Socchow, where destruction of the famous porcelain tower, many instances of the strange annoyance had the largest pagoda in China. In the South- occurred. These have been all detailed to ern end of the city is another pagoda not us, but one cass is very much like another, so large as the first, but yet very large, and there is no doubt a good deal that is being seven stories high. For some months appropriate mixed up with what is, it has presented a very peculiar appearance, indisputably, true. It is now stated that the does not know the plaintiff; the goods were as it is completely surrounded by scaffold. Chinese in Shanghai city are in a very ing in the construction of which more than anxious state of mind, dreading lest the rage of his civil colleagues by arresting obtained a steam pinnace at Sydney, and a thousand nicks of timber have been em- epidemic should make its appearance among three of the unlucky sailors and treating was enabled to survey and lay down the Jan. 18, Antipodes, from Cardiff to Hongs ployed. I was told that this scaffolding them too. Hitherto, no tails have been lost, never had notice from the plaintiff that he cost three thousand taels and the estimate which is so far satisfactory; but the natives is not an exaggerated one. Forty men are are said to be exceedingly uneasy. It is well diction of a Chinese mendarin, coolly Moresby Islands, Captain Moresby set to daily employed preparing the timber to be known that there are many members of secret pursued their journey to Hangehow. It is work to discover a good channel round the Jan. 17, Onward, from Liverpool to Hohne used in the woodwork, but as yet nothing societies in Shanghai, and even some who curious however that there seems to be so at all has been done towards repairing the still cherish sympathy with the T'ai-p'ing little jealousy between the two races, appointments infinding one navigable for large Jan, 19, Sophie, from Cardiff to Hoffetone. maxonry. The funds for repairing this inovement. How far these persons may be Each lives and keeps itself apart from the steamers, thus opening upanew route to China. Jan. 20. Forward Ho, from London to navode are not forthcoming and I am in implicated in the consultacy which amends other, but one seldom hears of their quar. Now, too, the D'Entrecasteaux Islands, which Yokohama, &c. pagoda are not forthcoming and I am in implicated in the conspiracy which appears other, but one seldom hears of their quarclined to accept the conclusion of the me- to be creating such comical distress elsewhere, relling, and such a case as we have just had previously been seen from a distance, Jan. 22, Flintshire (str.), from London is chanic whom I interviewed that the work of course is difficult to say; but it may be referred to appears to be regarded by the

from an opium den not five paces from the whole thing is obscured. - Rushes of superpublic premises. My companion observed natural wind, and the sudden appearance

meu, eleven smoke opium!" that in Hupeh between ten and twenty Correspondent.

The Chinese are evidently making frantic endeavours to intimidate foreigners. The | Courier. infantry battalion at present stationed in the Yentai barracks is paraded and drilled eight hours every day instead of three days a month as formerly, and the marines belonging to the fleet of Cantonese war-junks are landed and marched through the settlement to the sound of the tom-tom as regularly as | Dues," says :-clock-work. The titum-tilly-lily-titum-tee of the warlike musical instruments regales strengthening her naval forces, and Britain is sending up her Flying Squadron, for the aspect of affairs is gradually assuming a decidedly serious colouring. I never saw such a congregation of villainous-looking scoundrels as these Chinese soldiers present. Dartmoor's choicest selection of cutthroats would be ignominiously eclipsed, if compared side by side with a company of Celestial sharp-shooters. One characteristic they seem however to possess in common with British soldiers, the infallible penchant for creating disturbances at unseasonable hours when permitted to mix with civilians of a certain class. Two or three fatal stabbing cases have taken place lately, and in consequence thereof two or three heads have been chopped off. One poor coolie in the employment of foreign hong in a fit of jealousy one night snatched a sword from a military swell, and without warning thrust it into two soldiers. All three are dead now.

The authorities have chosen a commanding position on the top of a hill for a fort, and long-range swivel gun will sweep the harbour and settlement and all the surrounding country for miles both east and west. F several days we have been blessed with simoom, a genuine April wind-scorching, blighting, enervating, and laden with dust and debility. Rain has been a stranger since October, and the crops are suffering. If no moisture refreshes the fields soon, good-bye to a good season.

Mr. Seward passed up vesterday in the Chihli, looking fairly well after his recent pullback, and it is to be hoped that he will now enjoy excellent health to enable him to enter with a feeling of confidence into the duties of his ministerial capacity. Lassitude and extreme sore depression:-thus do I summarize all.—Shanghai Courier Corres-

A CASE FROM POOTUNG.

The love, or loyalty, or whatever else the passion may be called which Chinese girls appear so unaccountably to cherish towards their future husbands whom they have never seen, is curiously exemplified by a case which occurred some years ago at Pootung. A girl of good family was betrothed to a youth of the name of Chao. who unhappily died shortly before the day appointed for the espousals. The bereaved bride was inconsolable, and entreated her parents to allow her to visit the coffin of her lost love. This request was refused, on grounds of propriety; but the girl, breaking all bounds, ran away to the house of mourning and, throwing herself on the floor beside, the corpse, howled in a most determined manner. All attempts to pacify her were useless; and she insisted, moreover, on taking up her abode with the dead lad's parents from that time forward, and devoting herself to them until their death. This was very heroic, of course, but it seems that the old people would rather have been without her. However she would take no denial, and absolutely did stay and earn enough to pay for her own keep and to contribute towards the other expenses for about five years. Then the old couple died; and this virtuous maiden, having honoured them with burial, prepared for her own doom. About this time political matters were in a very unsettled state, and it was rumoured in the neighbourhood that the T'ai-p'ing rebels were approaching fast. festivity; and then—so goes the story—took formidable caravan was accordingly soon mistakable traces among the natives of her garments securely on to her own flesh, they passed along they naturally attracted headed for what was supposed to be the The very next day the rebels came; and disporting themselves on the banks of the the discovery of three considerable islands, at a glance the proof of the girl's purity ern dresses of rich silks, and generally Hayter. and honour, they treated her with the outlandish gear, were the observed of all Moresby went through the form of taking honourable interment, and it is further said -though this is probably apperyphal—that the body preserved all the freshness and -Shanghai Courier.

THE "QUEUE" IN DANGER. We mentioned the other day that the tail-

I have read with interest the news with perfect, and really wonderfully organised. regard to the effort the Viceroy is making The action of the agents of these societies as in Nanking to check opium-smoking. If exemplified on several occasions in the past he desire a field worthy of his presence and history of China has always been characterised his patriotism, let him come to Soochow. I by a unanimity for which it is difficult to matters to extremities and inflict capital pass-words, and cryptographs complete punishment on all who sell opium or smoke enough to evade the strictest scrutiny of the it, there would not be much of Soochow authorities, as the latter have often discovered left. The Yamens especially need, reform. to their cost. It certainly seems as though One day as I was walking by one of them something of the sort were on foot now, in official circles, our noses were greeted by all reports on account of the mixture of this sudden change in the atmosphere and of devils cut out of red paper seem the signal drily said, "Of every ten men in the Ya- for the loss of a victim's tail, and the unfortunate people have no other resource An obscure rumour has reached Southow | than to wear charms and amulets concealed about their persons, which however, as cities are in open revolt.—Shanghai Courier | might have been expected, have proved not the slightest use. A facetious correspondent suggests that the whole thing emanates from a clever Chinese speculator, who is making money hard and fast by doing a big trade in human hair for chignons -Shanghai

#### TRANSIT DUES.

"Mercator," writing to the North China Daily News on the subject of "Transit

The Chamber of Commerce having decided to prepare a statement of affairs that require towards remedying one of the greatest evils from which foreign commerce is suffering. viz.. the excessive and extra taxation levied on foreign merchandise, after it has paid the duty at the Customs according to tariff. A great deal has been said and written about the transit dues, as settled by treaty. The merchants maintain that when the equivalent of half the tariff duty is paid on merchandize over and above the import duty, and a certificate is granted, no further taxation can be rightfully levied in any part of the Chinese Empire. The Chinese, whatever their views on the question were in 1860 when the Tientsin treaty ratified, at present maintain that the payment of the equivalent offhalf the tariff duty over and above the import duty, only frees the merchandise on its journey from the port to a specified place, and that when the merchandise reaches that specified place it may be taxed again ad libitum.

It is evident that an arrangement which admits of such contradictory interpretations cannot be considered satisfactory, and the sconer it is replaced by an indisputable covenant the better for both Chinese and foreigners, for such differences (involving grievances and their indemnification) as have occurred with reference to the extra taxation of goods, may lead to something more serious than remonstrances, when the opportunity arrives for settling accounts between Foreign powers and China. It is usoless arguing on the 28th article

of the Treaty of Tientsin, and Rule 7 appended to the treaty, so long as the own rights on the subject. An attempt has been made by foreign

merchants to strengthen their view of the case, by appealing to Lord Elgin's explanacates of the Chinese Government, per

Lordship took. The practical way to avoid all future trouble about transit dues, and to strengthen | begins. the merchants' view of the case, would be to claim from the Chinese Government what Lord Elgin obtained from Japanese Government, in the treaty of 26th August, 1858, or exactly two months after the Tientsin Treaty was signed, and which was embodied in the XIV article of the Japanese Treaty: "All goods imported have paid the duty fixed by this treaty, any part of the Empire, without the paywhatever." This article is the best comment on what Lord Elgin thought about by the Chamber of Commerce, in their proposals for the revision of the Treaty of Tientsin. I take the liberty, therefore, to suggest it for their consideration.

AFFRAY BETWEEN CHINESE AND MANOHUS.

between the Chinese and Manchus, even in even a shadow of a dispute with them from those parts of the empire where they see first to last. After futile efforts to explore The excesses of the insurgents were of more of each other than they do here- two rivers, which were named respectively course well known and dreaded, and the abouts. But a sort of mild fray seems to the Usborne and the Edith, the Basilisk regirl was fully aware that if they reached have occurred a short time ago, during an turned to Australia. in all her richest clothes, as though for a persons, received orders to 'flit,' and a great Louisiade Reef, where there were una needle, threaded it with silk; and sewed | afloat en route for their new quarters. As | devil-worship and cannibalism, the Busilish discovering this lovely corpse, and seeing river in their quaint yet handsome North- which were named Moresby, Basilisk, and profoundest reverence. So far indeed from observers. Everything went amouthly how-possession of the country in the name of robbing her of a single jewel, they gave her ever until they approached Soochow, where Great Britain. Thence, after examining the they met a native Che fu with his train of straits which separate these islands from the boats. In common courtesy the Manchus mainland of Papua and from one another. life, leaving his unlucky servants to fend Sisieh-t'ai or military commandant of Soc-

Straits Items.

(Times.) H. M. S. Modeste has left the port, taking the Governor of Labuan to his post, but is shortly expected back. We learn that the stay of H. M. S. Modeste, Captain Buller on her return from Labuan, will be of short duration, as she has been ordered to Yokohama, where Captain Buller will be the Senior Naval Offi-

A rumour is current to the effect, that the body of Captain Knean, known as having belonged to the S. S. Medina, has been found in the Red Sea, lashed to a spar. It is believed that he was in command of a small Turkish vessel, which was wrecked.

EXPLORATIONS IN NEW GUINEA. Captain Moresby, by his successful voyage

round south-east and northern New Guinea,

has been fortunate enough to narrow still

further this already limited area of undiscovered country, and has most satisfactorily continued and completed the explorations made by the French, the Dutch, and ourselves in the neighbourhood of Papua since Dampier's exploits in 1699. The main results of his cruises have previously been made public; but, at a time when all genuine information concerning this region is so eagerly looked for, a detailed account of an expedition which examined and laid down upon the chart 300 miles of unknown islands finding many smaller islands and new harour delighted ears morning, afternoon and to be redressed when the treaty is revised, figuration of the eastern extremity of Papua, and pointing out a new route for steamers between Australia and China, must necessarily be of great interest. The volume before us contains, in fact, the record of four separate voyages, and one-third of the book is taken up with an account of portions of Polynesia which have been frequently visited and more satisfactorily described by others. This space might have been better employed in giving fuller observations on the natural history and geology of New Guinea, about which little is said in a connected way Captain Moresby was happily able to rescue eight of the crew of the ill-fated brig Maria, which, badly found, badly manned, leaky, and without a proper master, had started from Sydney with a ship's company of seventy-five, all told, to "colonize" New Guinea. Such is the recklessness of the South Seas, and in this instance it was rewarded by a frightful shipwreck on the Bramble Reef. The Basilisk seems to have been well received at all the islands which were visited, even at Mallicolo and Santa Cruz: but Captain Moresby came nevertheless to the same conclusion with Bishop Patteson—that the labour trafflo, under due restriction, would be a valuable agent in bringing about the civilization of the savage inhabitants, who are at any rate invariably improved by a temporary removal from their own homes. On two occasions Captain Moresby himself had narrow escape. At Espiritu Santo a native was on the point of clubbing him when one of the officers happily saw what was about to happen, and the savage desisted when he noticed that he was observed. Again, at Mallicolo, a devil-priest seized hold upon litigants take such decided views of their the captain and exorcised him with a vengeance, whirling him round some fetish symbols in the bush until he became quite giddy (p. 103). It was lucky nothing went wrong with the enchantment, for the natives tions of the Tientsin Treaty. The advo- of this island have earned the character of being the most treacherous and bloodthirsty contra, confidently assert that Lord Elgin in Polynesia. On the whole there is little held a very different view of the matter | noteworthy in the description of these Polyfrom that which the merchants suppose his nesian travels, and it is only when on the 30th of January, 1872, the Basilisk set out for New Guinea that the interest of the book

> This first visit to New Guinea was chiefly occupied in exploring the coast in the neigh- CAMPHOR, ... ... bourhood of Yule Island-of which we have | QUICKSILVER, ... heard so much lately from De Albertis and SALTPETRE. the missionaries—and thence to Redscar Bay and Hood Point, which lie farther to the east. The only discovery of importance was a good harbour, which was christened Credit, 6 months' sight,... into Japan by British subjects, and which | Port Moresby. All the natives along this | On Calcutta, Bank demand, ... R 221 south-east coast belong to what is now called |, Bombay, demand, may be transported by the Japanese into the "red" race of Papua, being akin to the ,, Shanghai, demand, Malays and differing altogether from the , Shanghai, 30 days sight, ... 721 ment of any tax, excise, or transit duty black Papuan negroes further to the west. Bar Silver, 17, dwts. B., ... Their villages are raised on poles to a height Sycee, ... ... of fifteen or twenty feet from the ground. Mexicans, ... inland taxation being placed beyond dis- Sleeping huts of this kind are common in Gold Leaf, cussion, and commends itself by its Polynesia, where they are used to avoid the English Sovereigns, completeness and simplicity for adoption mosquitoes; but here all the houses seem to Australian Sovereigns, ... 5.13 be built in this way. These natives, though Discount, ... ... possessed of spears and clubs, are ignorant of bows and arrows, and were most friendly to the Basilisk's crew. In one large village at the entrance of Port Moresby the inhabitants, to the number of about 800, were a well-fed, contented people, tolerably versed in agriculture, skilled in fishing and making pottery, and possessed of very neatly fashion-It is not often that we hear of collisions ed stone axes and adzes. There was not

the place while she was alive, her unpro- extensive exodus of Manchus from the pro- With the second trip to New Guinea the tected situation would expose her to the vince of Hunan to the city of Hangchow, | really important part of Captain Moresby's loss of honour and everything else that she | A contingent of Manchu soldiery, number- | explorations commenced. After touching at possessed. She accordingly dressed herself | ing with their wives some five thousand | the small island of Teste, at the end of the This done, she drank poison and died great attention, especially the ladies, who, south-east extremity of Papua. This led to ought to have given way to the mandarin, the Basilisk was carefully worked through beauty of life for ten days after its decease. but they were far too independent for that. the network of reefs and shoals which lie and considered that both cavalcades should between them and East Cape. This Cape. do the best they could for themselves. which is a huge promontory jutting out to Naturally a collision resulted, and then the south-east, is the real extremity of ensued a free fight between the Manchus' Papua in this direction, and, together with boatmen and the retainers of the Che-fu. the three islands spoken of, forms an enor-Indeed so hot was the fray that the man- the name of Milne Bay. A glance at the darin himself took fright and fied for his chart which is appended to the work shows Jan. 6, Ottercaps, from Cardiff to Hong. the wide difference which exists between the for themselves. The Fu-t'ai, to whom he real configuration of this part of the coast Jan. 6, Lycka Till, from Cardiff to Hong. told his tale of woe, complained to the and that which had before been supposed to be the correct delineation. On his third chow; and this officer appeared the noble and last cruise Captain Moresby fortunately Jan. 11, Titian, from Penarth to Honge them each to five hundred blows, while the whole of this portion of New Guines acou-Manchus, not being amenable to the juris. rately. Having called again at Teste and Jan. 17, Alex. McNeil, from Cardiff to East Cape, and succeeded after some diswere examined closely. These islands were will not be entirely completed for several safely affirmed that communication between Chinese quite us a matter of course.— first described by the famous pavigator of that Jan. 81, Lord Macaulay, from Newport of pame, and rise abruptly out of the sea, Hongkong, the initiated all over the Empire is almost Shanghai Course.

culminating in a mountain 7,000 feet high. During the whole of these surveys and explorations the crew of the Basilisk were fortunately able to keep on good terms with the natives both of the mainland of New Guinea and of the different islands. This Captain Moresby attributes, not unreasonably. as much to the good conduct of his own men as to the mildness of the inhabitants. At times as many as 300 or 400 natives were on deck at once, yet no trouble ensued. A very singular mode of salutation which was picked up on Teste Island (p. 186) seems to have contributed to the harmony of their intercourse, and twice the natives sacrificed one of their lean wolfishlooking dogs when they seemed specially anxious to bringabout a cordial understanding with the new-comers. The dog was killed by beating out his brains on some hard substance, and this operation being unexpectedly performed for the first time on the forecastle of the Basilisk, produced an effect upon the crew, as may be easily imagined, for other than that which was intended. All these tribes were of similar appearance to those met with in the neighbourhood of Redscar Bay. but Captain Moresby unfortunately tells us nothing about the language which they spoke. They were ever ready to barter, and gladly exchanged their fruits, vegetables, and other commodities for hoop-iron, to which they took an especial fancy. Though apparently peaceful, some of the tribes wore human bones as ornaments, and others had large war cances capable of carrying a considerable number of fighting men. The D'Entrecasteaux islanders were skilled agriculturists. for there were found large enclosures well fenced in with bamboos, and producing many kinds of vegetables, similar to those which have since been observed by other explorers on New Guinea itself. Everywhere in New Guinea the soil is described as being exceedingly fertile. and the tropical foliage as singularly luxuriant, some of the trees being of gigantic height. The density of the population met with on both these voyages was one of the most remarkable features of the exploration. Villages of considerable size were seen not only along the coast but nestling far away among the hills, and it is clear that this port of New Guinea at least offers little unoccupied land to the adventurous settler. The orew of the Basilish came across scarcely any wild animals, though birds were plentiful. Once only they found the traces of some large graminivorous animal, which they took to be a rhinoceros, but could see nothing of the creature itself. The megapode with its large earth nests was common, and the bird, being very good eating, was frequently shot. After leaving D'Entrecasteaux Islands and coasting along the northern shores of Papus the landscape rapidly changed, and in place of the dense forests of the southern portion the country was broken into plateaux and open woods. The natives, however, were still very numerous, and soon began to be exceedingly hostile, becoming also more and more negroish in type the nearer the Basilisks approached the Malayan Archipelago.—Pall

Quotations. Hongkong, April 27, 1876. OPIUM.—New Patna, cash... 620 credit, 6284 Old Patna, cash .... 6074 New Benares, cash, -Old Benares, cash, 5821 oredit, 585 New Malwa, cash, 580 credit, 585 Allowance Taels, 24 a 48 Old Malwa, cash, 585 credit, 590 Allowance Taels. 16 a 32 Exchange. Bank, 6 months' sight, ... 3/104 Shares. Hongkong Bank, par.

H.K. Fire Ins. Co., 2510 China Fire Ins. Co., \$158 Victoria Fire Ins. Co., \$70 H.K. & W. Dock Co., 45 % die, China Traders' Ins. Co., \$1660 Union Ins. Society of Canton, \$650 Chinese Insurance Co., \$207 North China Ins. Co., Tls. 850 O. & J. Marine Ins. Co., The 34 ex returns Yangteze Ins. Association, Tls. 650 H.K. C. & M. S.-boat Co., 8 dls. Union S. Navigation Co., Tla. -Shanghai Steam N. Co., Tle. 70 Hongkong Hotel Co., \$50 dis. Chinese Imperial Loan, £105.15/.

Temperature. Honekone, April 27, 1876. (Taken at Mesers. Falconer & Co.'s Premises, Queen's Road.)

THERMOMETER—9 A. M., 4 P. K. Maximum, Minim. over night, BAROMETER - A.M.

Shipping Intelligence. HOME SHIPPING. The following is taken from the latest

London Papera :--DEPARTURES. in which the latter got terribly the worst. mous fork, to which Captain Moresby gave Jan. 6, Annie Braginton, from New York to Shanghai.

> Jan. 10. Echo, from London to Hongkong. kong. Hongkong. -

Penang, &c.

250 206

20....

50

50

160

250 200

25

60

25 - 20

### Mails. Occidental & Oriental Steam-Ship Company.

TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED STATES AND EUROPE,

IN CONNECTION WITH THE CENTRAL

UNION PACIFIC AND CONNECTING RAILROAD COMPANIES

ATLANTIO STEAMERS.

THE S. S. "GAELIC," will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on MONDAY, the lat May, at 8 p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers for Japan, the United States and Europe. Connection is made at Yokohama, with

Steamers from Shanghai. Freight will be received on Board until 4 p.m. of 30th Instant. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 p.m. same day: all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same required.

Return Passage Tickets available for 6 months are issued at a reduction of 20 per cent. on regular rates. For further information as to Freight

or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, Praya West. G. B. EMORY, Acting Agent. Hongkong, April 1, 1876.



STEAM FOR Singapore, Penang, Point de Galle, first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single Aden, Suez, Malta, Brindisi, Ancons, Venice, Mediterranean Ports, Southampton and London;

ALSO, Bombay, Madras, Calcutta and Australia.

PHHE PHHINSULAR AND OBJECTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steam-ship GWALIOR, Captain J. C. BABOL, wit. Her Majesty's Mails, Passengers, Specie, and Cargo, will leave this for the above Salgon and Penang. places, on SATURDAY, the 6th May, at

CARGO will be received on board unt Moon; SPECIE and PARCELS at the Office until 2 P.M. on the 5th May. For particulars regarding Freight and Passage, apply at the P. & O. S. N. Co.'s

CONTENTS AND VALUE OF PACKAGES

Office, Hongkong.

ARE REQUIRED. written deslaration of the Contents and Value of the Packages for the Overland Route is required by the Egyptian Government, and must be delivered by the Shippers to the Company's Agents with the Bills of Lading, or with Parcels; and the Company do not hold themselves responsible for any detention or prejudice which may happen from insorrestness on such declaration.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Black Bills of Lading.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co. POSERVe the option of forwarding all Goods shipped by their Steamers for Europe through Egypt, either by Rail, or by Canal in their own Steamers, or in vessels employed for the purpose.

A. McIVER, Superintendent. P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office. Hongkong, April 22, 1876.

U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA OVERLAND RAIL WAYS, AND TOUCHING AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U.S. Mail Steamer "CITY OF PEKING" will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on MONDAY, the 15th May, 1876, at 3 P.M., taking Passengers, and Freight, for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Through Passenger Tickets and Bills of Lading are issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to ports in Mexico, Central and Bouth America, and to New York and Europe VIA OVERLAND RAILWAYS. A Steamer of the Mitsu Bishi S. S. Company will leave Shanghai, via the Inland Sea

Ports, about same date, and make close connection at Yokohama. At New York, Passengers have selection of various lines of Steamers to England,

France and Germany. Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m. 14th Proximo. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

For further information as to Passage

and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, Praya West. G. B. EMORY, Acting Agent. Hongkong, April 16, 1876.

ON BALE.

CHINESE RNADER'S MANUAL.

HANDBOOK of Blographical, Historical, Mythological and General Literary Reference,

WILLIAM FREDERICK MAYEES.

Price: \$8.

Rejighting ..... " CHINA MAIL" OFFICE.

Insurances.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against Fire to the extent of \$45,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored therein, at current local rates, subject to a Discount of 20% on the Premis.

NORTON & Co.,

Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

YANG-TSZE INSURANCE ASSOCIA-TION OF SHANGHAL

CAPITAL AND SURPLUS, 800,000 TALLS

OLICIES granted on Marine Risks to all parts of the world at current rates. This Association will, until further notice, provide out of the earnings, first for an Interest Dividend of 15 % to Shareholders on Capital, and thereafter distributed among Policy holders, annually, in cash, ALL the Profits of the Underwriting Business pro rata to amount of premium

RUSSELL & Co., Clongkong, July 9, 1872.

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE

COMPANY. (FIRE AND LIFE.)

CAPITAL TWO MILLIONS STRELING.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant POLICIES against the Risk of FIRE on Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on Coals in Matsheds, on Goods on board Versels and on Hulls of Versels in Harhour, at the usual Terms and Conditions. Proposals for Life Assurances will be reand transmitted to the Directors for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on For Rates of Premiums, forms of propossis or any other information, apply to

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co. Agenta Hongkong & Canton. Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE

COMPANY, LIMITED, HEAD OFFICE-HONGKONG.

GENCIES at all the Treaty Posts of China and Japan, and at Singapore,

Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance granted at the rates of Premium current at the above montloned Ports.

NO CHARGE FOR POLICY PERS. JAS. B. COUGHTRIE, Sceretary. Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF MANCHESTER AND LONDON.

THE Undersigned have been appointed Agents for the above Company at Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai and Hankow, and are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co. Hongkong, October 14, 1868.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER His Majesty King George The Birst,

4. D. 1720. TETHE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Corporation are prepared to grant Insurances as follows:-

Marine Department. Policies at current rates payable either here, in London for at the principal Ports of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department. Policies issued for long or short periods at current rates. A discount of 20 % allowed.

Life Department. Policies issued for sums not exceeding £5,000 on reasonable terms.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co. Hongkong, July 25, 1872.

COMPANY, OHINESE INSURANCE (LIMITED.)

NOTICE.

OLICIES granted at current rates on Marine Risks to all parts of the World. In accordance with the Company's Articles of Association, Two Thirds of the Profits are distributed annually to Contributors, whether Shareholders or not, in proportion to the nett amount of Premia contributed by each, the remaining third being carried

to Reserve Fund. OLYPHANT & Co., General Agents. Hongkong, April 17, 1873.

YANGTSZE INSURANCE ASSOCIA-TION OF SHANGHAL

NOTIOE:

FTER this date, the above Association A will allow a Brokerage of Thirty. three and One Third per cent. (331%) on

Local Risks only. RUSSELL & Co., Agents, Houghong, June 3, 1874,

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned Agents are in receipt of instructions from the Board of Directors authorizing them to issue Policies to the extent of £10,000 on any one first class risk, or to the extent of £15,000 on adjoining risks at current rates. A Discount of 20% allowed.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co. Hongkong, Japuary 8, 1875.

insurances.

THE SOUTH AUSTRALIAN INSUR-ANCE, COMPANY, ADELAIDE.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company in Hongkong, China and Japan, are prepared to issue Policies of Marine Insurance, payable in Australia, London, Calcutte Bombay, Mauritius, China and Japan a current rates.

ADAMSON, BELL & Co. Hongkong, September 6, 1875.

> THE SCOTTISH IMPERIAL INSURANCE CO.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agent, in Hongkong, for the abovenamed Company, is prepared to grant Policies against Fire, on Buildings and on Goods to the extent of £10,000, at the usual rates, subject to an immediate discount of 20 %. Attention is invited to a considerable

reduction in Premia for Life Insurance in China. Life Policies effected during the year 1875, share in the Bonus to be declared on 31st December for the quinquennial period then ending.

A. MACG. HEATON. Hongkong, September 27, 1875.

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY,

Incorporated by Royal Charter, and Special Acts of Parliament.

ESTABLISHED 1809.

THE Undersigned, Agents at Hongkong for the above Company, are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE, to the

CAPITAL £2,000,000.

extent of £10,000 on any Building, or on Merchandise in the same, at the usual Rates, subject to a discount of 20 per cent. GILMAN & Co.,

Hongkong, July 6, 1875.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY. TIME Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.

> METCHERS & Co., Agents, Royal Insurance Company.

Intimations.

COAL DEPOT. OALS of every description supplied to Steamers by the Undersigned. Orders may be left at the Godowns. Wanchi, with Mr J. Maclehose, or Leong AH YON, KWONGHING, Praya.

LANDSTEIN & Co. Hongkong, November 1, 1875.

KRUPP'S CAST STEEL WORKS Essen (Germany.) Sole Agent for China,

F. PEIL, Hongkong, Shanghai, Colognia (Germany.)

NOTICE. THE Undersigned beg respectfully to inform the Public that they have Established themselves as

BUTCHERS AND GENERAL COMPRADORES, At No. 1, Graham Street, And are prepare to Supply Fresh and Salt

PROVISIONS and STORES; also, WINES, SPI-RITS and ALES of every description. MATHEW & Co.

Hongkong, March 25, 1876. IN CONSEQUENCE OF THE REDUC-

TION OF THE PRICE OF THE 'SHANGHAI COURIER AND OHINA GAZETTE," IT WILL BE THE

DAILY PAPER IN CHINA CHEAPEST and as a large INCREASE OF CIRCULATION MAY BE CONFIDENTLY ANTICIPATED. THE

ADVANTAGE TO ADVERTISERS is obvious.

Ready. Now

THE CHINA REVIEW, Vol. IV., No. 4.

Subscription, postage included,

CONTENTS. Essays on the Chinese Language. The Folk lore of China. Pat-sze: The Cleopatra of China An Introduction to a Retrospect of Forty Years of Foreign Intercourse with Ohina.

One Page from Choo Foo-tsze. The Expedition of the Mongols Against Java in 1293, A.D. The Wry-Necked Tree. Phallic Worship,

Short Notices of New Books and Literary Notes and Queries on Eastern Matters :--Chinese Anti-Opium Associations Publications of the Hongkong Corresponding Committee of the Relig.

Tract Soc. Hongkong School-book Committee, Chinese Wills. Chinese Breech-Loading Guns. History of the Maritime Provinces Books Wanted, Exchanges, &c.

China Mail Office. Hongkong, March 11, 1876, Intimations

THE MERCHANTS' MARINE INSUR-ANCE COMPANY, LIMITED, OF LONDON.

SUESCRIBED CAPITAL, £500,000.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed Agents in Hongkong for the above Company, are prepared to issue Policies of Marine Insurance at current rates, payable in London, India, Australia, New Zealand, Straits, Mauritius, Java, Manila, China, Japan, California, &c., &c. ADAMSON, BELL & Co.

Hongkong, March 24, 1876. Note. -- By the Company's Articles of Association it is provided that, after payment to the shareholders of a dividend of 10 per cent. per annum, one fourth of the residue of profits will be rateably

STAFFORDSHIRE FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED, OF HANLEY.

Mutton Chop, THE Undersigned, having been appointed Agents in Hongkong and Shanghai for the above Company, are prepared to issue Policies of Fire Insurance at current

Hongkong, March 24, 1876.

FOR SALE. VERY Handsome PHAETON. 1 Set Double HARNESS, nearly new. 1 Set Single HARNESS.

DE MONTEBELLO CARTE BLANCHE CHAMPAGNE. Quarts, \$15 per case (1 dozen.) 5 per cent. discount on 25 cases,

Bourbon WHISKEY. \$12 per case (1 dozen.) FOR SALE BY

Hongkong, June 22, 1875.

UNDERMENTIONED LAND AND BUILDINGS.

INLAND LOT 82. -- The well-known House and Offices lately occupied by Messra A. Heard & Co., adjoining the Cathedral Com-

Annual Crown rent, \$390.48. and extensive Godowns. Annual Crown rent, \$324.

Carp, Lots No. 6 and No. 27 in the Foreign Cat Fish. Settlement. No. 6 is situated on the Bund, and com-Codfish, salt prises an eight-roomed Dwelling House, de-Congor Eels, tached, with Garden all round, Offices, Go-Crabs, downs, Servants' Quarters and Outhouses.

Area 1,064 Tsubos of 36 square feet. Annual Ground rent, \$263.79. No. 27 is separated from No. 6 by Water Street and comprises large Tea Firing and other Godowns, Floss Silk Press, Compradore's Quarters, Stabling and Fire Engine House. Area, 554 Tsubos.

Applications for purchase, or further information, to be made to J. WHITTALL

Trustees A. Heard & Co.'s Estate. Gurnet, 23, Queen's Road, Hongkong. Horrings, small Hongkong, February 1, 1876.

> TO LET. With Immediate Possession.

Terrace. The Store and Dwelling House, No. 31 Queen's Road, lately in the occupation of MISS GARRETT. The Store and Premises, Nos. 42 and 44,

Messrs Dubost & Co. Wyndham Street. The Dwelling House No. 46, PeelStreet,

now in the occupation of Mr HAUSCHILD. The Dwelling House No. 1, Alexandra Terrace, at present in the occupation of Salt Fish, Dr Stout.

Hongkong, April 24, 1870.

With Possession on the 1st April. known as the "London Inn." Apply to

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. Hongkong, March 9, 1876. TO RENT CHEAP.

situated in the rear of the Messageries Maritimes Office, Apply to LAI HING & Co.

TO LET. TOUSE No. 5, Zetland Street DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.

Beef Corned, Roast. Soup, Steak, Bullocks' Brains, Tongue, fresh, each

divided amongst those Insurers out of whose business profits have been made during the year.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, £250,000.

Pigs' Chitlings, ADAMSON, BELL & Co.

For Sale.

Apply to L. MALLORY, No. 2, St. John's Place. Hongkong, April 19, 1876.

HEARD & Co.

FOR SALE.

Pheasants, Canton, live pair Pigeons, AT HONGKONG:-Quail,

The Ground below the masonry retaining Turkeys, wall of the above, abutting on the Queen's MARINE LOT 111, WANCHAL -First-class

AT YOKOHAMA:--

Ground rent, \$154.97 per annum.

Frogs, T. G. LINSTEÁD,

To Let.

THE Dwelling House No. 4, Alexandra Queen's Road, lately in the occupation of

The Dwelling House and Office, No 1, Roach, Rock Fish, (Also with occupation from 1st May next.) Salmon, Canton,

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

TO LET. THE Premises in Queen's Road Central,

OFFICIES and Godown, No. 59, Praya, ,, Fre lately occupied by Messrs Taylor & Best root, THOMPSON. Also OFFICE and GODOWN

Hongkong, March 30, 1876.

Hongkoug, April 8, 1876

HONGKONG MARKET PRICES. Chilles, Dried, Corrected to Saturday, April 22, 1876. At 1090 Cash per Dollar Mexican. Cucumbers, Highest, Lowest Curry Stuff, English, . , Butcher Meat. Garlic. Bacon, English, . Ginger, Foochow, Beef, sirloin and prime cut,

corned 17

. catty

**16**0

Head,

Heart,

Feet,

Tail,

Hams, American,

Kidneye

Liver.

Calves' Head and Feet, set

Chinese,

Shoulder,

Liver,

Feet,

Fry, .

Head,

Heart,

Liver,

· Corned,

Fat or Lard,

Kidneys,

Sheeps' Head, and Feet, set

Poultry.

Leg,

Sucking Pigs,

Dried

Salt

Cook,

Wild Ducks, Canton . each

Bombay Ducks

Cuttle Fish,

File Fish.

Garoupa,

Gudgeon,

Live Fish,

Lobsters,

Mackerel.

Mullet,

Oyaters,

Pomfret,

Bhrimps,

Brapper, ---,

Soles, Fresh

White bait,

Asparagus,

Turtles, Small

Skato,

Tench,

Parrot Fish

Fresh Fish, Large

Small

smoked

Saltwater,

Pickled,

Dace.

Bream,

Fish.

per hundred

80

100

120

130

130

130

100

120

160

120

110

catty

Vegetables.

Bamboo Shoots, young catty

Common,

red for pickling ,,

White, Canton catty

catty

each

catty

French,

Cabbage, Macao,

Carrots, fresh

Cauliflower,

Oslery, Chinese,

. catty

Allapice.

Eggs, Hen .

Partridges,

Capons,

Ducks,

Pork, Chop,

Kidneys,

English

Leg,

Green Peas, young Green Winter Course . Lettuce, English Chinese Mint, bunch Mushroom, dried 300 250 Unions, Bombay Green Paraley, Chinese, . catty English, bunct Potatoes, Macao, 30 20 Sweet, 100 | Pumpkins, Tripe (undressed); catty 60 Radishes, English 500 Scallions, catty - Shalots,

Mixed.

15 200 160 Squash, Bottle 180 | Taro, 200 180 Tomatoes, 160 140 Turnips, English, fresh, China catty Salt, 110 Water Lily Roots, Water Cress, Yams, Fruits.

Aleurites. Apples, Dried 250 200 . catty California, Bananas, fragrant Punti, catty Common 120 Chesnuts. Cocoanuts . 60 Curranta, . bottle Dates. 500 400 180 160 Figs, Dried. Guavas. . catty

Ground Nuts, 40 >30 110 100 Oranges, Sweet Sunwooy, 250 200 Mandarin ,, Nutmeg. Lichees, Dried, 300 250 Lemons, 200 150 Loong Ngan, Dried, 250 150 Loquats, Mangosteens, Melons, Chinese 140 each 80 | Mangoes, Manila, . each

Saigon, 200 Pears, Chefoo, catty Pine-apples, Punti 350 450 Plantains, common Plums, Prunes, Dried, 90 Pumeloes, Canton each

110 100 Raisins, Muscatel, bottle 1100 750 | Sugar Cane, Tamarinds. 60 Walnuts, new 100-Water Chestnuts.

Miscellaneous

1600 1500 700 500 Candied Orange Peel, bottle 750 700 Lemon 110 100 Capers, 220 160 Charcoal, 1200 1100 Cheese, American. English, . each Cinnamon. 160 150

> 270 250 220 Curry Powder. 250 Firewood, 480 **550** Flour. . catty 2750 2500 Isinglass, 750 100 - 90 Lamp Oil 1000 900 Macaroni. 800 750 . catts Mango Chutney, 700 500 Mustard, 180 - 160 Nutmogs, 10

Oliver. 110 100 Paddy, 1600 1400 ploul 240 200 Pearl Barley, 270 220 Pepper (whole) 250 4200 Pickles, 200 220 Sago, Salad Oll, Salt, Coarse

> Sugar, Chine, Vermicelli, Chinese 80 1000 900 English Vinegar, English bottle GEORGE ORLEY, Inspector of Markets.

Printed and published by GEO. MURRAY
BAIR, at the China Mail Office, No. Wyndhem Street, Hongkong,